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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 1994.]

2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

In the treatment of s. NR 25.03 (1) (a), it would be preferable to renumber s. NR 25.03 (1) (a) as s. NR 25.03 (1) (a) 1. and amend that subdivision, and to create s. NR 25.03 (1) (a) 2. in a separate SECTION.

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. The description of the cooperative agreements in s. NR 25.03 (1) (a) 2. could be clarified. These are apparently cooperative agreements that were entered into between the department and persons licensed during the 1995-96 license year. The rule does not indicate that the cooperative agreements were entered during that time period.

b. The cooperative agreements apparently have certain conditions attached to them. If these conditions are not met, the number of licenses under s. NR 25.03 (1) (a) 1. may not be reduced to 10. However, the authorized harvest under s. NR 25.06 (1) (a) 2. is reduced whether or not the cooperative agreements are implemented. Is this intended?

c. The analysis in the rule indicates that the new harvest quota is 6,480 lake trout. However, the numbers in s. NR 25.06 (1) (a) 2. do not total 6,480; they total 6,476.